

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

1. NAME				
COMMON: The Landers Farm				
AND/OR HISTORIC: "The Harp Farm"				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: (Smithsburg Pike) south side of Route 64 at Chewsville				
CITY OR TOWN: Smithsburg				
STATE Maryland		COUNTY: Washington		
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Mary E. Landers				
STREET AND NUMBER: St. Andrews Drive				
CITY OR TOWN: Ocean Springs		STATE: Mississippi		39564
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Washington County Court House				
STREET AND NUMBER: West Washington Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown		STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 489/464, 515/435				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

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7. DESCRIPTION			
CONDITION	(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair
	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)		(Check One)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The house on the "Harp Farm" is located along the south side of the Maryland Route 64 bypass of Chewsville, at the west end of the village. The house is situated on a bluff and faces northeast.

The structure is a two-and-one-half story, four-bay stone dwelling with white trim. A two-bay, shed roof el extends to the rear or southwest of the house. The walls are constructed of coursed local fieldstone. A weathered date stone is located in the northwest gable end and is reportedly inscribed with the date 1821.

Windows at the first story level contain nine-over-six light sashes while those at the second floor level hold six-over-six pane sashes. The windows are framed with wide members and trimmed with a simple architrave. Smaller six-over-six light openings are present at the attic level.

The front entrance is located in the second bay from the northwest end of the house. Above the six panel door is a four-light transom. Little decorative work is associated with the entrance way. Directly above the main door at the second story level is another entrance way which opens into a balcony. It is similar in design to the lower door but smaller being proportionate to the other second story openings. Openings are present into the cellar at the northeast or front wall of the house where the basement is above ground level.

Extending along the length of the facade is a double porch which is included under the main roof span. It is supported by small square posts and is enclosed by a simple wooden balustrade. Although much woodwork has been replaced, the porch is original.

There is little decorative woodwork associated with the exterior of the house. The eaves are finished with a tapered barge which narrows at the roof peak, providing a visual vertical stimulus. Brick chimneys are located inside each gable end and inside the end wall of the projecting el. The roof covering is asphalt shingles.

The house stands on property containing 173.01 acres. It is in good condition and is not at present in danger of destruction.

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Pre-Columbian ☐ 16th Century ☐ 18th Century ☐ 20th Century
☐ 15th Century ☐ 17th Century ☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

1821 (date stone)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The area of significance of this building is its architecture. It is a well preserved and dated example of Washington County's stone vernacular buildings. The house has not received extensive exterior alteration and thus appears much as it did originally.

Houses of stone or brick, four bays in width at the facade and with double front porches framed under the main roof span are frequently found in Washington County and western Maryland as well as in nearby Pennsylvania and the Shenandoah Valley. They are representative of a significant house type in the area and probably reflect ethnic building traditions stemming from the large number of German settlers who populated inland Maryland and Pennsylvania.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 173.01 acres

Acreage Justification:

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:	
Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant	
ORGANIZATION	DATE
Washington County Historic Sites Survey	February, 1974
STREET AND NUMBER:	
Court House Annex	
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE
Hagerstown	Maryland

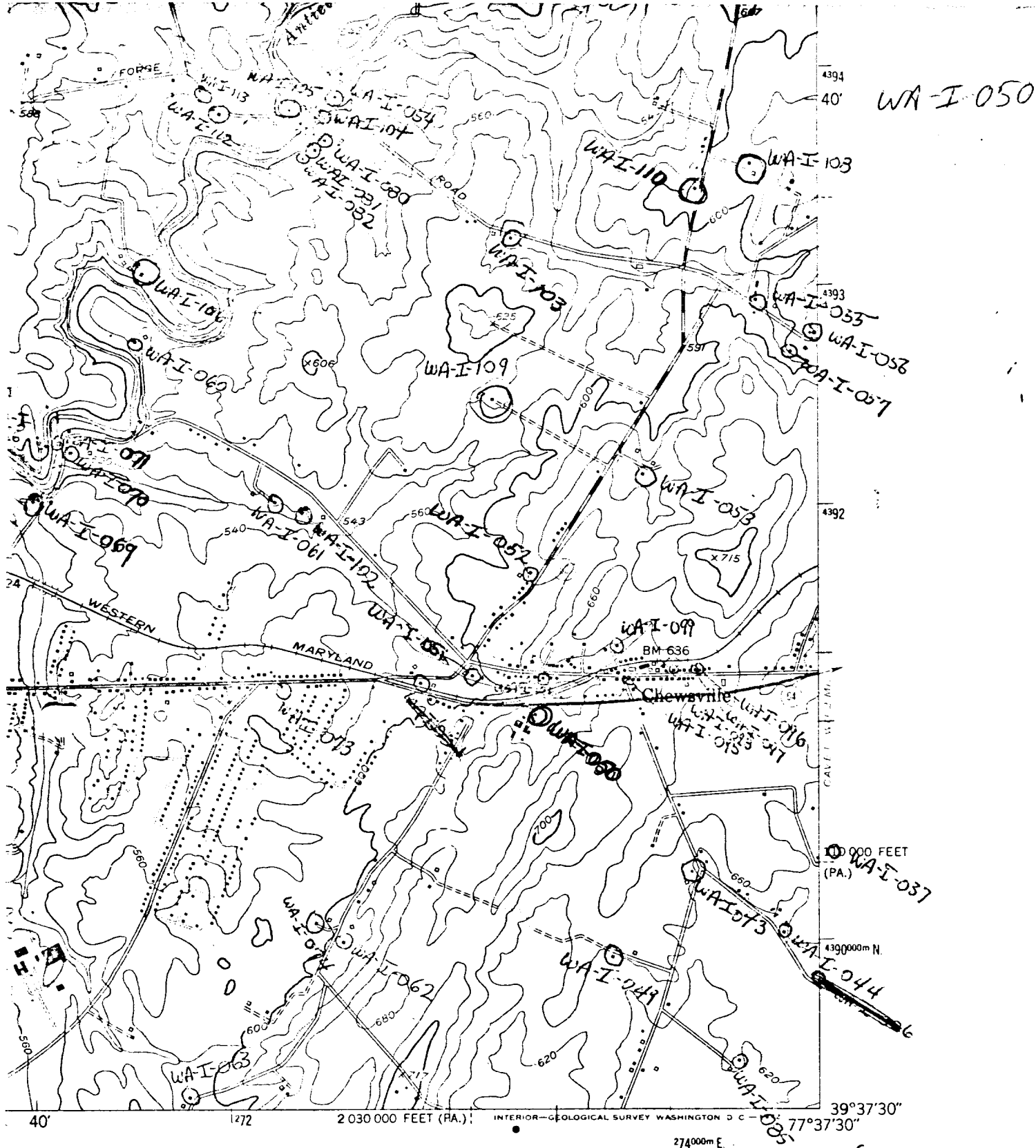
12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature _____

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ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty 4 1/2" x 12" x 12" Light-duty 4 1/2" x 12" x 12"
 Medium-duty 4 1/2" x 12" x 12" Unimproved dirt 4 1/2" x 12" x 12"

U. S. Route State Route
 Interstate Route

HAGERSTOWN, MD.-PA.
 NW/4 HAGERSTOWN 15' QUADRANGLE
 N3937.5-W7737.5/7.5

1953

PHOTOREVISED 1971

AMS 5463 II NW-SERIES V443

Revisions shown in purple compiled by Geological Survey from aerial photographs taken 1971. This information is not checked. Purple tint indicates extent of urban areas.



